WASHINGTON NEWS AND GOSSIP.

The select committee to investigate into al-

of Representatives, have been laboring assid-

sously since they were named by the Speaker.

It is understood that they will make more or

ess very rich developments not long hence.

Snough is said to have been brought to light

a the course of their investigations, to show

enefited by the alteration improperly made,

unless Congress take action to prevent that

esult,) are those who now control the Illinois

Central railroad, into the hands of whose di-

estors the alteration is supposed to throw

bout three millions of dollars worth of pro

erty, which the House designed placing in

he keeping of the Legislature of the Territory

f Minnesota, to be disposed of by that body

inder due responsibility to their constituents.

is they might judge best for the interests of

he Territory at large. That is: To be ac

orded to the company which would take

them (the donated lands) to build the road on

he line that might be best for the Territory,

The directors of the proposed road said t

be benefited by the alteration, are Robert

schuyler, Morris Ketchum, Erastus Corning

leorge L. Schuyler, (Robert's brother,) Ed.

vard Bement, (Ketchum's partner.) William

P. Burrall, (treasurer of the Illinois Central

Mr. Letcher, of Virginia, yesterday endeav

red to get in a bill to repeal the altered act

out as a single objector was sufficient to rule

se presume that he will get in his bill under

Yesterday, the committee examined Mr

Forney, Clerk of the House, and, we are in-

formed, the result was the unanimous conclu-

sion in their minds, that he had no knowledge

whatever of the proposed effect of the alter-

ation, and that he consented that it should be

asie only after hearing that verbal alter-

moers of the Senate, under the direction of

The Navy Reform Bill .- The defeat of Mr.

against that measure. It was ruled out of

culing out of order the Army Reform bill

when moved some days ago as an amendment

to the Army Appropriation bill, by Mr. Faulk-

ner. Both these measures bid fair to be enact-

ed ere the termination of this Congress. Their

provisions are multifarious, and cannot fail to

explained how this so-much-regretted circum-

stance occurred, and hope that, hereafter, Con-

grees will see the wisdom of so amending their

rules as to compel the transaction of business

in their halls, really in a business like man-

ar from the first person named above, ex-

seeding abusive of Mr. Hamilton. The offence

alleged is the failure of the latter to recom-

mend Mr. Kimmell's son for an appointment

at West Point, in co upliance with his promise

so to do; recommending another in his stead-

On inquiry, we learn that Mr. Kimmell is an

exceedingly eccentric gentleman, by no means

averse to seeing his name in the newspapers

placing it in there himself as "Col. Anthony

Kimmell, the Farmer of Linganore." The

sey to Mr. Hamilton's failure to carry out his

original promise to Mr. Kimmell is said in

Washington to be the fact that, ere the ap-

cointment was made, another candidate fo

be much more worthy, all things considered.

f his favor. This is an excellent reason. If

all our public men would have the nerve to do

what their conscience tells them to be their

luty in such cases, regardless of their former

intentions, when not knowing half the facts

which should guide their action, much fewer

bad appointments of all sorts would be made

Hard Work .- The House are laboring very

hard just now. For some three or four days

past, they have been disposing of business

very large number of bills indeed, besider

disposing of hundreds of important amend-

nents to general appropriation bills. So far

we have not heard that they have passed any

thing in their hot haste, of which they may

ave reason to regret in time to come : tha

being the danger of crowding the most of the

business together to be disposed of in the wan

Fees of U. S. Judicial Officers -The fo

lowing decision, recently made by the First

Comptroller of the Treasury, is of interest to

Comptroller's Office, July 20, 1854.

It appears by a statement made by L. Q.

Washington, Esq., a clerk in this office, having

harge of the accounts of Judicial officers in

certain districts, that the United States Com-

missioners charge for drafting complaints in

criminal cases, from fifteen to twenty cents per

folio, and the question is submitted, whether

under the fee bill of February 26, 1853, an al-

lowance can be made for writing a complaint

and if so, then the question is asked, what rate

It is proper, in prelim nary examinations, to commit the complaint to writing, to have i

signed by the complainant, and verified by his

oath. It forms a part of the record, and if i

sets forth a violation of the law, and is in due

legal form, it justifies the Commissioner in is

A complaint before a Grand Jury is no

written. The person who knows an offence has

been committed, is brought before the Grand

Jury as a witness, by instructions of the Jury

or of the District Attorney, but such person.

preparatory to a preliminary examination.

calls upon a Commissioner and relates the fact

as they are known, or as they are believed by

where the offence is charged to have been committed. A written complaint is useful, if not

The Commissioner is the proper person to write the complaint, thereby relieving the com-plainant from paying costs, that would not be

taxed in his favor if paid.

The act approved February 26, 1853, "to regulate the fees," &c., under the head of

Commissioners Fees," contains the following

stricily necessary.

ruing a warrant to arrest the accused.

f compensation snall be adopted?

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

U. S. Judicial officers generally:

ing hours of the session.

ais nomination appeared, whom he judged

the member having charge of the bill.

in passing the bill aforesaid.

und on the best terms.

leged alterations of the records of the House

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.....JULY 96 OF BOOK AND JOB PRINTING OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS EXECUTED AT THIS OFFICE IN THE BEST MANNER.

The "Star" Office is located on D Street, second door west from 19th near the junction of 19th Street and Conneyivania Avenue, nearly oppoelte to the "Kirkwood House," late " Irving Hotel."

The large circulation of the STAR makes it the most desirable advertising me aum in the District. It has more reader en the cities of Washington, Georgetown. and Alexandria, than all the other Wash ington dailies combined.

SPIRIT OF THE MORNING PRESS. The Intelligencer advocates the enactment of the bill to pay the creditors of the late Republic of Texas, in full, from the treasury of the United States, and copies from the North American Review an elaborate article on the condition and commerce of the British North American colonies, which embraces a strong ar gument indeed for the ratification of the Reciprocity treaty.

The Union discusces the position of the Administration upon the Cuba question, say ing in the course of its remarks on this subjeet:

"The simple difference between the policy of the government and the scheme of the fil libusters is, that the former is national in it. objects, whilst the latter is individual and seifish. In this view of the case, it is easy to understand why the organs of the fillibusters are so bitterly denunciatory of the adminis tration. They had hoped that as President Pierce was understood to regard the acquisi tion of Cubs in a favorable light, he migh be expected to shut his eyes and sear his conscience to the requirements of the laws and the obligations of his official oath, and allow them to organize their expeditions and sail for Cuba without hinderance or opposition Upon that expectation the scheme is one of the most gigantic individual enterprises that have ever been conceived. An island fo which our government would probably give one hundred millions of dollars is the prize which a few thousand of our adventurous citisens, led by a few daring spirits, could conquer in a few months, if the expedition could only receive the implied encouragement of our government. But, unfortunately for the bright topes of these bold adventurers, the adminis tration has taken the ground that the laws of the land denounce such expeditions as oriminal; and as the President has taken an oath to "take care" that these laws be faithfully executed, and acknowledges the obligations of such an oath, the fillibusters have been greatly disappointed in the realization of their visions of ambition and wealth, and now seek consolation in the sweet revenge which they enjoy in denouncing and maligning the administra-

of the health of passengers on emigrant ships with a view, we presume, of inducing Congres sional legislation to make that generally better.

The Sentinel describes and reprobates the new anti-slavery organization, and argues in favor of the enactment of the new Homestead

PERSONAL. A Liverpool correspondent of the New York Heraid, under date of July 12, furnishes

the following "exclusive intelligence" to his Satanic majesty: "The latest news is, that a hostile meeting

is expected to take place before many hours. between them. The quarrel, it seems, grows out of a savage speech made by Mr. Van Buren last autumn, at Tammany Hall. Some place on the continent will probably be chosen as the ground. It known to Mr Sickles' friends to have been his purpose not to let the speech in question pass without a fight or an apology and as he is known to be game to the back bone, Van Buren will have to make the amend kenorable, or fight, or else go home. Look ou for the items by the next steamer." The following is an extract from the "savage

speech" alluded to above :

"In 1849, we not only lost Sickles, but some respectable black men, who quitted us on the ground that we united with Sickles. (Roars of laughter.) If you look to one of the numbers of the Herald, in November, 1849, you will find George T. Downing talking in this way :- " They served us in the last election just the same way that they broke off from the old loso-focos in Tammany Hall. No party ever degraded themselves as they did b uniting with Sickles." Another black said Sickles was too low to denounce; they ought rather to denounce the recent free-soi ers But Downing returned to the charge and said -" He was lower than the beasts; and noth ing, surely, was lower than that." (Laugh-

We are inclined to believe there will be startling items to receive by the next steamer A repose of five years has, no doubt, had s scothing effect on both the Prince and Mr. General Niepokoitehytzki has been ap-

the Russian army. Bringing out such a name as this does not look much like peace. Commodore Shubrick has left Washing

pointed to the command of the fifth corps of

ton for a few weeks sojourn at Capon Springs, Among the passengers by the Pacific

was Mr. Daniel B. Martin, Chief Engineer of the United States Navy, who went to Europe for the purpose of ascertaining the latest improvements in the machinery of war steamers. with the intention of applying the same to the six steam frigates to be built for the American Navy. Morrissey, the pugilist, is out in a card

in the New York papers, denouncing Tom Hyer as a coward. Great excitement exists in consequence among the underground ten thousand, another set-to between the bruisers being confidently anticipated.

.... The Pottsville (Pa) papers inform u that the preacher in charge of the First Methodist Church of that city has been charged with drunkenness and indecently exposing his person to two young girls; and that he w pelled to leave the city in order to escape summary punishment.

.... The Troy Whig states that Judge Bronson has lost nearly his entire fortune by the failure of the Empire Stone Dressing Com-

.... Nickinson, the comedian, has opened vandeville theatre at Niagara Falls.

.... A letter from Bordeaux, France, dated June 25th, 1854, says:

"We had a visit yesterday from the widow of Aaron Burr. Her business here is the marriage of a niece to a gentleman of this city.
named Perry. She gives \$100,000 as a marriage gift, and Mr. Perry, the father of the young man, gives the same amount. Mr. Brown, the U. S. Consul, has been requested to be the trustee of the money. Mrs. Burr is the American lady who created such a sensa-tion at the balls in Paris last win ter."

.... A letter from Seville, Spain, of June him to exist. In many instances the person 27, says " the two daughters of General Rosse may not know whether the act constitutes ar have just taken the veil at the Convent of the offence, and a resort to a Commissioner may be Virgin de la Algeria, at this place." to gain information. The Commissioner, be We are requested by a friend to say fore issuing his warrant to arrest, should know all the facts, the time when, and the place

that the New York Day Book, formerly National Whig, is in a few days to be brought out as a Democratic paper under the editorial charge of Mr. David A. Wright Mr Wright has already had considerable experience as a journalist, is a clear and foreible writer, and an earnest supporter of President Pierce, and sentence: "For issning any warrant, or writ, or any other service, the same compensation as is allowed to Clerk's for like service. Under the head of "Clerk's Feee," is the following:

his administration. Dr. John Sabine, a well known dentist in Boston, died spidenly on Sunday of cholers

tinuance, judgment, decree, or recognisance. drawing any bond, or making any record, certificate return, or report, for each folio, fifteen

A complaint is a part of the record, and if a person is bound over to answer in a higher court, a copy of it would necessarily be certified with the proceeding. In character and grade of service, it is similar to that, for writing which, a clerk is paid fifteen cents per

My opinion therefore, is, that a complaint before a commissioner, charging a person with having committed a crime, should be in writing. hat the company who, it is alleged, will be and that the officer thus rendering this service is entitled to fifteen cents for each folio under and by virtue of the clauses cited. ELISEA WHITTLESEY.

The Russian Treaty Ratified. - The Senate have promptly confirmed the treaty with Russia. On Saturday last, it will be recollected that we announced its formation and that i was to be duly signed in form on that day .-It was communicated to the Senate yesterday morning. The fact that not a single legislative day intervened between sending it into the Senate and its ratification, proves that it is an eminently wise measure on the part of the President and Secretary of State. Such erdorsements from the U. S. Senste are the proper rebuke for the insane ravings of the New York Herald and its allies against the foreign policy of those who now control the government of our country.

Mr. Gerrit Smith's Triumph .- This gen leman is really to be complimented on the success of his labors in superinducing yester- | bill. railroad,) R. B. Mason, John M. Forbes of day's action in Committee of the Whole on the Boston, and John Gardiner, (brother-in-law John Tyler) The alteration was discovered Navy appropriation bill, whereby it was voted to abolish the spirit ration in the Navy. The y the Territorial Secretary, who was fortureform is a great one, indeed. Much of the astely here a day or two since, on a fising notorious and deplorable habit of Navy sailors in making beasts of themselves with liquor, is fairly attributable to the fact that its use as an ordinary beverage has been legalized in the service up to this hour. The sailors in the ut his motion, it was not admitted. To-day American merchant service have become, as a the rule allowing motions to suspend the rules o be made at any time within ten days of the class, far more temperate of late years, than and of the session commences to operate, and formerly. This is principally the result of the vanishment of the spirit ration in well regulat with little difficulty, so great is the feeling | ted merchant ships. It strikes us as very high of the House upon the subject. It strikes us. time that Congress took measures to adopt the rule in the Navy which, in hundreds, if not lowever, that it would be wiser so to amend the altered act by a supplemental bill, as thousands of private ships has been demon strated to work well indeed, for the interest of simply to carry out the intention of the House the class upon whom it must operate, and, indirectly, on all connected with them.

The Amended Homestead Bill.-It is no to be doubted that this measure will be most vigorously opposed in the House. We have already heard enough to satisfy us that a considerable force have made up their minds if possible to prevent is enactment, even if is ations in Senate bills in that condition were may be necessary to defeat the general appronot unfrequently made in the same way, by priation bills in so doing. We have no idea, however, that any such result can be brought about, regarding it as certain that the appropriation bills will pass; and also the amended Becock's motion to amend the Navy annual Homestead measure, at the next, if not at this Appropriation bill by appending to it the Navy

Reform bill, should not be taken as a decision Russian America -- We have every reason to believe that the next European steamer will order on the principle which governed the bring a formal offer from Russia to sell us her chairman and the Committee of the Whole in North American possessions. The last steam er, it is said in diplomatic circles here, brought out an official "feeler" to the end of the transfer, which leads to the conclusion that the formal offer is speedily to follow.

Russia's American possessions are of earthly use to her, and ready money is just be extensively discussed. Nought but want now of much importance to the Czar. It is of time prevents Congress from disposing of yet very questionable, in our mind, whether them at the present session. We have before the United States have any thing to gain by making the purchase, however.

> Engineer-in-Chief Mertin, U. S. Navv. reached his post in the Department this morn ing, having returned from his tour of inspec tion of naval steamer improvements in the English and French dock yards, under orders.

"Col. Anthony Kimmell, the Farmer of The Current Operations of the Treasury Linganore," and the Hon. William T. Ham-Department.-On yesterday, the 25th of July lton .- In common with our brethren of the there were of Treasury Warrants entered or press of this region, we have received a circu the books of the Department-

> For the payment of Treasury debts \$8,935 63 For the Customs...... 183,451 06 Covered into the Treasury from Customs..... Covered into the Treasury frem miscellaneous sources..... For the War Department..... For re-paying for the War Depart-

ment. For the Navy Department..... 29 405 00 For the Interior Department.... For re-paying in the Interior De-

books by warrants appropriations for the Interior Department

MURDER OF A BALTIMOREAN.-Mr. James . Kelly, formerly of Baltimore, was mur dered at Crescent City, California, on the 22d ult., by a man named A. K. Ward. At the time the blow was struck the deceased was playing on the violin, and it is supposed that the bow struck Ward on the arm, when he (Ward) exclaimed, "Don't draw that on me," and stabbed him with a bowie knife in the region of the heart.

LOAN TAKEN .- The proposals for the Albany City loan of \$300,000 to the Albany Northern Railroad Company, were opened yesterday with great energy and success, having enacted | Nearly the whole amount was bid for at rates ranging from a fraction above par to 4 per

LAUNCH.-The clipper James Baines, of ,200 tones, the largest merchant ship in the world, was launched yesterday from the ship yard of Mr. Donald M'Kay at East Boston She is owned by James Baines & Co., of Liv erpool, and is intended for their line of Aus tralian clippers.

Joe Shillington sends us the August number of Graham's Magazine, and a capital number it is. We are also indebted to him for a neat brochure entitled "The Seat of Government of the United States," being a review of the discussion, in Congress and elsewere, on he site and plans of the Federal city.

SOUTHERN ENTERPRISE .- The Louisians Manufacturing Company, located in New Orleans, with a capital of \$150,000, of which \$125,000 is owned in Mobile, recently declared a dividend of ten per cent. on the capital stock out of the earnings of the past six

It is a singular coincidence that George Washington commenced his career as a soldier on the 4th of July. The last anniversary of our Independence was celebrated 100 years after Washington's entrance upon military

GREAT DEPTH .- The Artesian well Charleston, S. C., has reached the depth of 1,177 feet, of which 300 feet on the aggregate, or more than one-fourth, have been through

New York .- The number of European emigrants arriving at this port during the month ending 21st inst. is officially stated to have been 26,773, or nearly a thousand per

agreed hereafter to issue their sheets on Sunday morning instead of Monday. The object is et course to get rid of the now existing pecessity

for Sunday work. Mr. Bolton, an Englishman, went to of cholera. Newport last Friday, and while there ate oucumbers and drank ice water. He died the "For entering any return, rule, order, con- same day.

DOINGS IN CONGRESS.

IN THE SENATE. yesterday, after we went to press, the Senate rejected an amendment to the Civil and Diplomatic Appropriation bill, appropriating \$300,000 for the payment of the expenses of the State Government of Californ nia, between the dates of the organization and

the admission of the said State into the Union. Mr. Hamlin moved an amendment appropri ating the following sums: For custom houses at Elisworth, Me., \$10. 000; Belfast, Me., \$20,000; Gloucester, Mass. Cleveland, Sandusky and Toledo, Ohio, and Burlington, Vermont, \$10,000 each; Milwau-

kes, Wisconsin, \$50.000; New Haven, Conn. Newark, N. J., Buffalo and Oswege, N. Y. Detroit, Mich., Chicago, Ill., Wheeling, Va. 38,000, each. Galveston, Texas, \$100.000.

Petersburg, Virginia, \$62,000. and the following for marine hospitals. At New Orleans, \$248 000. At Detroit, Michigan, \$75,000.

At Pensacola, \$20,000

At Burlington, Iowa, \$15,000. The amendment was opposed by Messrs Junter and Toombs, and supported by Messrs. Hamlin and Cass. The bill was then post-After concurring in certain amendments by

the House to certain Senate private bills, the Senate proceeded to consider executive business, and after some time, adjourned. IN THE HOUSE, yesterday, after we went

press, the Heuse, in Committee of the Whole Mr. Fuller in the chair,) considered the Navy Appropriation bill, when Mr. Booock addressed the committee in favor of the Navy Reform

Mr. Phelps opposed that bill as being out of sas Gap railroad. order, as an amendment to the Naval general appropriation bill.

Mr. P. moved an amendment appropriating \$300,000 for increased pay for navy seamon Mr. Gerrit Smith, of N. Y., moved to amend the said bill by adding a clause saying that no intexicating liquor should be provided as a beverage on board U. S. National vessels. This proposition was debated by the mover and Mr. Smith, of Va., for it, and Mesara.

lingman and Stanton, of Tenn., against it. Mr. Stanton, of Tenn, moved to amend that amendment, by adding to it a provision, for- on the island for some years, recently picked bidding the officers on national vessels to use spirituous liquors upon them, as a beverage, which being agreed to-the amended amendment was also agreed to-yeas 71, nays 51. On motion of Mr. Phelps, an amendment ap propriating \$370,000 for expenses of the Japan | both Hill and his wife lying drunk upon the expedition was adopted.

The committee then rose, and the House ad-

PROCEEDINGS OF TO-DAY. SENATE.-Mr. Hamlin's Custom Houses amendment was further discussed by Messrs Bright, Brodhead, Toucey, Stuart, Johnson

and Toombs, before the Star went to press.

House.-Mr. Letcher moved to suspend the rules to enable him to introduce a bill to repeal the Minnesota railroad land donating act, approved June 29, 1854; rules not suspendedyeas 100, navs 60.

The rules were then suspended, and they went into Committee on the Navy Appropriation bill, several amendments to which were duly considered and disposed of. Having voted to repor the committee rose, and the question arose on agreeing to the amendments to that bill, reported back from the committee of the whole.

many of which were agreed to without a divi The question was then put on agreeing to the amendment prohibiting the use of spirit-uous liquors on the ships of the U.S. Navy as a beverage; and it was agreed to-yeas 84,

It was next moved to reconsider that vote and then to lay that last motion on the table; upon which the yeas and nays were being called as the Star went to press.

PERSONAL COLLISION AT WHEELING, VA .-A difficulty occurred at Wheeling, Va., or Saturday morning, between Dr. Cracraft, the Postmaster of that city and Mr. Bartleson, proprietor of the Times and Gazette, because of articles recently published in that paper, and concerning which a retraction was to appear. Instead of the promised retraction, a by all dealers, everywhere. threatening and offensive allusion to Dr. Cracrast was made in Saturday's paper .-The parties meeting on that morning, words were had about the maatter and blows struck. but without serious injury to either. The case coming up for investigation the Doctor dispensed with witnesses, confessed judgment, and was fined \$20 and costs.

Singular Murder Case.

The Brattleboro' (Vt) Eagle has account of an interesting criminal case, which has just been settled in Orleans county, Vt. Seven or eight years since, a women named Hannah Parker was arrested, tried and found guilty of he murder of her infant. The proof of her guilt was conclusive, but upon her trial some exceptions were reserved for the consideration of the Supreme Court, and she was remanded to iail to await their action. In the Supreme Court the case was continued from term to term for six or seven years, she in the meanwhile making the jail her headquarters, but having a very wide range of jail yard

The Supreme Court at the last cession re versed the former judgment, and she was again prought up for trial. The same witnesses were called at this trial as at the former, but singular to relate, the facts had faded entirely from their memories. Even the witness to whom ber confession was made, was unable to testify positively that she admitted her guilt. Of course "a reasonable doubt" was raised in the minds of the jury, and she was acquitted.

THE FOREIGN IRON MARKET.-The New York Commercial publishes the following extract from a letter received by a commercial house in that city:

London, July 11 .- "The demand for iron continues on an enormous scale in spite of the war, and the aggregate exports are greatly in excess of last year, being at the rate of 1,950 000 tons per annum (pig iron)—this may be taken as two thirds of the entire production of Great Britain-the remaining third is only half the quantity required for home consumption. Under these circumstances we are rather likely to advance than decline in iron

Escap of Slaves - The Parkersburg News publishes the number and value of the slaves that have escaped from Wood county, Virginia, for the last 15 or 20 years, together with the names of owners, as ascertained by the Commissioner of the Revenue in his recent assessment. The number that absconded is 211ralued at \$131,200.

The Rev. Dr. Plummer, formerly of Richmond, Va, has accepted the chair of Didactic and Pastoral Theology" in the Western Theological Seminary at Alleghany

NOT A CANDIDATE .- Dr. D. S. Pinrell, in ; letter to the Clarksburg (Va.) Register, declines being a candidate for Congress. He says his name was announced without his au-

The San Francisco branch mint continues in full operation. The amount of deposits for the fortnight endirg June 29, have been, for coinage 9022 ounces, and for assayed bars 27,000 ounces. RAILEOAD SUBSCRIPTION. - The people of

Richmond, Va., voted on Monday, in favor of the city council subscribing \$100,000 towards completing that portion of the Central railroad west of Staunton.

Business in every department at the Brooklyn Navy Yard is reported to be almost Three morning papers in Buffalo have at a stand, all for want of the annual appro priation. Mr. E. B. Wilkinson, of Huntsville, Ala.,

but formerly of Philadelphia, died in Paris on the 20th ultimo, a few days after his arrival, | ros Over one hundred and twenty-five mil-

lions of scres of public lands have been

granted to the new States.

ALEXANDRIA CORRESPONDENCE.

ALEXANDRIA, July 26, 1854. Weather-Fast Justice-New Halls-Loco motive, &c.

The weather this morning comes in ho again, but Sol's ardent rays are tempered by About the fastest piece of justice anywhere

in the annals of jurisprudence, is said to have taken place in this city yesterday. The report gives it thus: Yesterday morning, whilst some ladies were purchasing at one of our dry goods houses, a negro woman stole, unperceived, a parasol belonging to one of them. Shortly after the ladies entered the store of Justice Rodgers, and there found the negro with the stolen property in her possession. Complaint having been made, the justice sent for officer Padget, took the evidence, convicted the negro, and by the time the officer came, she was ready for punishment. A few minutes sufficed o reach the pump and give the requisite whipping; so that the theft, trial, conviction, and punishment, all took place in half an hour. Find faster justice than this, and Alexandria will yield the palm.

Our improvements progress apace. Dahgerfield's Hall is nearly completed, and comprises within its ample dimensions two fine stores, a vast Hall, a small meeting-room, and six offices, beside the requisite small rooms for the large hall.

Messrs. T. M. McCormick & Co. have fitted up a fine room in the second story of Liberty Smith & Perkins turned out yesterday another fine locomotive, No. 6, for the Manas-

Business continues dull, and the health of our people very good.

Singular Case of Insanity Produced by Intem-The following narration, says the San Fran-

cisco Journal of July 1, of an extraordinary case of insanity at Angel Island was furnished by Coroner Whaling, who had occasion to visit the island yesterday, and heard the facts as stated by the residents: It seems that a man named Hill, who has lived with his wife up adrift a couple of carks of liquor, a part of the cargo of the wrecked ship San Francisco, since which time, to all appearance, they have subsisted almost entirely upon the liquor. The residents of the island have often found beach, divested of every particle of clothing; and unless removed from that perilous situation would remain until sobered by the sea dashing over them, to the imminent danger of being washed away by the waves. Mrs. Hill is 10 v a raving maniac, wondering about the island in a state of nudity. She is often seen pulling up roots and grass, which she devours with the avidity of a brute animal. The husband is also at times raving, but his madness does not partake of the ferocious character manifested by the wife.

MISSIONARIES.-The bark Sultana, which sailed from Boston, on Monday, had on board the following missionaries: Rev. Mr. Beebe and wife, Rev. Mr. Perkins and wife, Rev. Dr. and finished for 25 conts. Vandyke, wife and three children, and Mi a Gallery in Pa. avenue, between 6th and 7th sta, Mary Goodell. Religious services were held Woodbridge. on board previous to sailing

The unusualty large number of ninety six candidates offered themselves for admission to Harvard College on Monday.

"Uncle Ned had no hair on the top of his head. In the place where the hair ought to grow. But he lived previous to the discovery of Lyon's celbrated Kathairon, which not only preserves and beautifies, but restores the hair to any period of life. Only those who will not try it, are troubled with baldness, dandruff, or harsh and unpleasant From the Home Journal, N. P.

"No article ever acquired so rapid celebrity and miversal appreciation as Lyon's Kathamon. To those who have used it (and who has not) the reason is obvious, as its invigorating and beautifying effects, and agreeable Perfume, stamp it an indispensable article of the toilet." Sold at the eld price of 25 cents, in large bottles

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AT LIVER DISRASE.—Carter's Spanish Minture, at a remedy for I ver disease, and the number of for midable evils connected with a disorganised state of that organ, is unrivalled.

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SPLENDID PIOTURES.—Those of our readers who desire to pass through a splendid Gallery of Pictures, should not fail to pay a visit to Plumb's Rooms on the Avenue. He has on exhibition there some choice specimens of the new art of Daguerreotyping in Oil, which for beauty and excellence are incomparable. There is a portrait executed, in this last style, of President Pierce, that reflects great credit on the artist, every lineament thereof giving a life-like expression. Mr. Plumbe is reckoned among the first Daguerrean artist of our time.

true—that indigestion is the parent of a large proportion of the fatal diseases. Dysentery, diarrhose, cholera morbus, liver complaint, and many other diseases enumerated in the city inspector's weekly catalogue of deaths, are generated by indigestion alone. Think of that dyspeptics! think of it all whe suffer from disordered stomachs, and if you are willing to be guided by advice, founded upon experience, resort at once (don't delay a day) to Hoofland's German Bitters, prepared by Dr. C. M. Jackson, which, as an alterative, curative, and invigorant, stands alone and unapproached. We have tried the Bitters; and knew that that they are excellent for stands alone and unapproached. We have tried to Bitters; and knew that that they are excellent the diseases specified above. For sale by dealers medicine everywhere. Was HAMPTON'S VEGETABLE TIRCTURE.—Have

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MASONIC:-- A meeting of Columbia Royal Arch Chapter No. 18, will be held at

All companions in good standing are respectfully requested to attend promptly.

Late from Cape May —We are bappy to announce the return of W. B. Warr d, with improved health and spirits, but regrets that his stay is so at ort with us, as he intend . leaving on Monday next for Saratoga. jy 26-1t*

At a meeting of the Congregallon of Grace Church, I land, the lollow ng res lutions were unanimously passed: Resolved, 'hat a reward of twenty-five dollars be paid for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons who have been directly or indirectly con med in the breaking of the windows of the Grace Church, Itlard, over one hundred panes of glass

leed, That Messra. W. S. Robe ts, Wm. Bur oughs, and George Herning be appointed a Comlitte to carry out the above provision.

NO THE READERS OF THE STAR:- In an a ticle in the Sun of yesterday the German Be nevelent Society was represented as being guilty of an act of impropriety and of disrespect towards a minister. It is true that a member of the society was reputized by the proper authority to request the minister to shorten his sermon as much as ossible, not with any intention to be disrespectful out for the sole purpose of preventing the men from seing exposed to the hext of the sun as much a nuch as possible. No message in relation to the loctrine was sent, and nobody authorized to enter into any debate as regards the religious epinion en-

jy 2 :- 1t* B. OYSTERMAN, President. DUBSE LOST .- On Faturday even ng. in First Ward Market House, was lost a PURSE, conaluing \$59 in go'd a \$2 Corporation of Georgetown ote, and al in silver. It was the savings of one arned by hard labor, and was actually her all. The oser speeds to the finder by all motives that should govern one, to leave it at the the Star office, and b uitably rewarded.

NOR HIBE-An excellent colored BOY, a slave He is from the country and is accustomed to horses and farm work generally. For terms apply to JNO. WATERS, General Agent and Collector, E, between 10th and 11th streets. 55 REWARD.-Straved from the subscriber on the 15th iest., a light brown Cow. white cr

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tlemen of Washington that she has taken rooms at Mrs. Rebineon's, Pa. avenue, between 1st and 2d sts., where she can be consulted in the past, present and future events of life, love, courtship, marriage, law suits, &c. Having traveled through Europe and the the United States she challenges the world to produce her equal. Ladies 50 cts Gents \$1 25 CENT DAGUERREOTYPE 3.

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Facsage round trip \$3-Single passage to or from Meals furnished on the boat. Ereakfast or Supper 3716; Dinner to cents. Ice Cream, Watermelons, The st-amer will leave the Pavilion at 8 a on Monday morning, arriving in Washington at

for the sait water bathing, and without much loss of bus ness hours to the pass ngers. Running time of the boat down seven hours-re turn ne six hours. The boat will make an extra trip to Point ooken: Tickets 50 cents each. Point Lookout is 20 mi es from Piney Point.

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N the petition of ROBERT L. and FRANCIS B STD J vens, of Hoboken, New Jersey, praying for the xiension of a patent granted to them on the 25th of January, 1841, for an improvement in "werting the steam vaives of steam engines when the steam s cut off and allowed to act expansively," for seven years from the expiration of said patent, which takes ace on the 25th day of January. 1.55: It is ordered that the said petition be heard at the Patent Office on Monday, the 1st day of January next, at 12 o'clock m; and all persons are notified appear and show cause, it any they have, why aid petition ought not to be granted. Persons opposing the extention are required to die in the Patent Office their of jections, specially set forth in writing, at least twenty days before the day

of hearing; all testimony filed by either party to be used at the said hearing must be taken and trans mitted in accordance with the rules of the office, which will be furnished on application. The testim my in the case will be closed on the 22d of December; depositions and other papers reiel en es testimony must be filed in the office on o chere the morning of that day; the arguments, ny, within ten days thereafter Ordered, a so, that this notice he published in the Union, Intelligencer, and Evening ttar, Washing ton, D. C.; Erening Argus, Philadelphia, Pa.; Scien tifi: American, New York; and Post, Boston, Mass

once a week for three successive weeks, previous to the 1st day of January next, the day of beering. CHARLES MASON, P. S.-Editors of the above papers will please copy and send their bil's to the Patent Office, with a pa

per containing this notice. O.T-This morning, a pair of light rim GOL A SPECTACLES, either on 9 h, E, or 8th street The finder will receive a reward of \$2 by leaving them either at the Gas Office, or Mr. Oripps' Grocer;

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WHITE HOUSE PAVILION. On MONDAY, August 7. The Boat leaves Georgetown at 1 o'clock, Washington 2, Navy Yard at 21/2 and Alexandria at 3 %-E puta's Brass and String Band has been engaged for the occasion. Firemen are requested to appear in uniform. Supper 25 cents; Confectionery, &c... provided at city prices. Tickets \$1, admitting a entleman and ladies. Committee of Arrangements :

CJ Candeld, J B Moran, J B Medley, Edw C Eckloff, Alex Tait, Wm Jones, Was J Fisher. JMF Hough. 8 T Larer Jy 24-MW,& 18 PIC NIC AT

ARLINGTON SPRING. THE "German Samperbund Singing Association" propose g ving a pic nic at the above mentioned place on FRIDAY next, the 28th instant. Boats for the accommodation of persons wishing to go will leave the Wharf on 14th street bridge, at 8 o'clock . m., and I o'clock p. m., and return at 7 and A good band of Music will be in attendance, Retreshments of all kinds at the most reasonal

A committee of pelice will be provided. The put iy 25-3.0 EXCURSION TO THE White House Pavilion.

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Lord's Grocery, corner of 5th and G streets, and at Spignul & McKnew's Grocery, corner of R and 7th teets. The district runs north of E at and east of th street west. Persons will please be particular in leaving their directions also at my residence 4th street, second door from K, on the east side by 24-3t* SFGTS WOOD CHILDRESS MAGNETIC ELECTRICAL MACHINES of Boyel construction, and highly recommended her

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jv 20—dlw J. C DOBBIN.

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